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"They that have forsaken their country for the purpose of teaching Our Cause - these shall the Faithful Spirit strengthen through its power. A company of Our chosen angels shall go forth with them, ... By My life! No act, however great can compare with it, except such deeds as have been ordained by God,... Such a service is, indeed, the prince of all goodly deeds,..."

Bahá'u'lláh: Gleanings, CLVII

HAVE YOU BEEN travel-teaching this summer? The CIPTT would really appreciate hearing from you if the answer is yes. Please send the following information to the Secretary, Peymane Adab, email: peymane@onetel.net.uk.

- name and address, phone, email
- home community
- where did you go?
- when did you go and return?
- was it an organised project?
- which of the following did you do? street teaching, street performance, public speaking, firesides, study circle facilitating, children's classes, youth work, women's work, media, personal teaching, deepening classes, none of the above, other (please describe).
- was accommodation provided for you?
- was local transportation provided for you?
- on a scale of 0 10 (0 being not at all, and 10 being totally) how enjoyable was the experience?
- on the same scale how much did you feel that you were being of service?
- would you consider returning to that country on another occasion?
- anything else that may be useful to CIPTT
- would you have any objection to being contacted by others who might want to go travel-teaching to the same area?

#### **URGENT**

This is an urgent call for help from The National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Iceland.

Many friends have moved, or are in the process of moving from the Faroe Islands. We have to do everything to stop this process. Eyglo Gisladottir, a pioneer in the Faroes will lose her job, and may possibly have to move away from the islands if cannot find pathologist to replace the one that is working there already. He is now 73 years of age and is no longer in the best of health.

If you can help these pioneers, please get in touch with the CIPTT.

# Fiji Job Openings

For those with higher academic qualifications and experience looking for a pioneer post in a priority area where living costs are low and where the people are very receptive to the Faith, please keep tabs on the University of the South Pacific website: http://www.usp.ac.fj/personnel/

The university is attempting to fill a record number of positions in the coming months.

## **Newly listed:**

Assistant lecturer (2 temporary positions) in computing/information systems (Undergraduate degree + experience required), Professor of Economics (PhD required), Director of Physical Planning and Facilities (Experience in management, mechanical engineering degree and/or construction industry qualifications required, with experience in wet tropical climates preferred.)

## **Unsolicited Messages**

The National Spiritual Assembly would like to repeat its warning to the friends to exercise great caution should they receive unsolicited messages (by letter or email) from people overseas claiming to be Bahá'ís and seeking invitations to attend Bahá'í events.

We know that in many cases they are not Bahá'ís but are seeking to use us to try to get round UK immigration law. If the friends are unwise in issuing such invitations they could find themselves held responsible by the authorities for any costs the state incurs with such people. At the very least they will risk causing harm to the good name of the Faith. There are organised gangs operating in several countries that seek out groups they think might be naive or helpful and of whom they might take advantage. Bahá'ís are only one such target.

The friends are strongly advised not to issue invitations, whether in general or to specific events, to people contacting them from overseas whom they do not know. If they are minded to do so they should contact the National Spiritual Assembly, which will check with the Bahá'í authorities of the country involved.

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